

Applicants respectfully request the following amendments in support of the following remarks.

REMARKS

In an Office Action mailed September 24, 2003, claims 11 and 18 were allowed and claims 8-10, 12-15, 17, 19-22 and 24-31 were rejected. Applicants previously submitted an affidavit from inventor Magdy Abadir to overcome the stated rejection. In an Advisory Action mailed November 5, 2003, the rejection was maintained because the application lists two inventors who are listed as authors of the technical paper and only one declaration signed by one named inventor was provided. Attached to this communication is a second declaration signed by the other named inventor who is listed as an author of the article entitled "A Quick and Inexpensive Method To Identify False Critical Paths Using ATPG Techniques: An Experiment with a PowerPC Microprocessor" that is being used as the basis for rejection of the claims identified above.


Applicants are requesting reconsideration of the rejection and the allowance of the application. Should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at (512) 996-6839.

Respectfully submitted,

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